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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. April 22, 2019** - For the week ending April 21, 2019, there were 1.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers intend to begin fieldwork on April 29th. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 9 short, 70 adequate, and 21 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 17 short, 69 adequate, and 11 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 5 percent very poor, 6 poor, 25 fair, 63 good, and 1 excellent.

**Livestock Report:** Cattle and calf conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 70 good, and 5 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 4 percent heavy, 74 average, and 22 light. Calving progress was 65 percent complete, equal to last year, and near 66 for the five-year average.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 28 fair, 65 good, and 6 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 4 percent heavy, 76 average, and 20 light. Lambing progress was 79 percent complete, near 81 last year and 78 average. Shearing progress was 90 percent complete.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 4 percent very short, 22 short, 68 adequate, and 6 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 85 adequate, and 11 surplus.

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